

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. RES. 1371

Congratulating the Saratoga Race Course as it celebrates its 140th season.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 23, 2008

Mrs. GILLIBRAND submitted the following resolution; which was referred to
the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Saratoga Race Course as it celebrates
its 140th season.

Whereas, July 23, 2008, marks the start of the Saratoga
Race Course's 140th season;

Whereas horseracing enjoys a history rich in tradition
throughout the world;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course welcomes the best
thoroughbreds from across the world;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course has the highest total at-
tendance of any New York thoroughbred racetrack, de-
spite having the shortest season;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course is the oldest organized
sporting venue in the United States;

Whereas many of the Nation's top thoroughbreds have raced at the Saratoga Race Course, including Man o' War, Cigar, Secretariat, and Affirmed;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course welcomes an average of nearly 30,000 visitors per day throughout its race season;

Whereas 2008 marks the 139th running of the Travers Stakes, the oldest major thoroughbred race for 3-year-old horses in the United States;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course has a total economic impact of approximately \$200,000,000 throughout Saratoga County and the surrounding communities;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course contributes more than 2,500 jobs to Saratoga Springs and the surrounding area;

Whereas Saratoga Springs during racing season is a top destination for tourists from around the world;

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course has added modern technology while still maintaining its Victorian charm and original traditions; and

Whereas the Saratoga Race Course is the oldest continuously-operating thoroughbred race track in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) congratulates the Saratoga Race Course as
3 it celebrates its 140th season;

4 (2) encourages all people in the United States
5 to spend an electrifying day at the races; and

- 1 (3) recognizes the Saratoga Race Course's im-
- 2 portant place in horseracing history.

